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Dear Mr. Emrick:

Thank you for your July 9, 1997 letter regarding the *Draft CALFED Bay-Delta Program Storage and Conveyance Component Inventories* (March 7, 1997). Your comments referred to the Folsom South Canal Area groundwater storage component described in the inventory report. You indicated that the Board of Directors for South San Joaquin Irrigation District believes that this program, which includes a conversion from surface water use to groundwater use within South San Joaquin Irrigation District, would be detrimental to water needs of San Joaquin County. This information has been passed on to my staff and the consultant team for review and consideration.

Please note that the CALFED inventories report is a compilation of water management projects and programs studied over the past several decades. The inventory was prepared to provide a starting point for evaluation of potential storage and conveyance projects that might contribute to overall CALFED Bay-Delta Program objectives. The components included in the inventory do not represent specific CALFED project proposals. CALFED's goal with regard to groundwater storage and conjunctive use is to facilitate locally controlled programs that contribute to comprehensive water management principles. CALFED intends to work cooperatively with local interests in developing principles for formulating and implementing groundwater storage programs.

Thank you again for your input. If you have any further comments or questions, please call me at (916) 657-2666.

Sincerely,



Lester A. Snow
Executive Director

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